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front page, large headline: Police Are Seeking 48 Stolen Guns. Investigators believe theft victim's daughter may have taken the weapons, which police think may be in the hands of those involved in the local drug scene. All of these guns were legally owned by probably a member of the NRA, a law-abiding citizen. But because he had all of these guns, they wound up in the hands of criminals, and those who are supporting this NRA bill that is before us continue to tell us about criminals getting guns. And people such as myself will point out they get a lot of them from these so-called responsible, law-abiding citizens who legally own them but don't know how to take care of them, and are unfit to have these guns. And when you consider the insulting, threatening e-mails, letters, and calls that people get from those who support this legislation, you would tell yourself, those are the very kind of people who ought not be able to own a gun, let alone carry one concealed. If somebody calls you and threatens you, because you're opposed to a bill that would let him carry a gun concealed, you'd be glad that there's no law that lets an idiot like that carry a concealed gun. And those are the ones that are calling many of the senators. And some may have mentioned it to Senator Combs. I saw where she asked her political party, the "Repelicans," to stop arm twisting on this bill, and there are "Repelican" senators on this floor who have said they took offense at the letters sent to them by Mark Quandahl, who used to be a member of the Legislature, and is now head of the "Repelican" party, pointing out that carrying concealed guns is a core value of the "Repelican" party. That's why that party exists. And they're talking about another party not having ideas? And a core value of the "Repelican" party is to carry concealed guns. Don't they trust each other? They're the ones that they run around with. They're the ones they hang out with. "Repelicans" have very little in common with anybody, other than another "Repelican." They don't even have much to talk about. I at one time registered as a "Repelican," to punish the then election commissioner, who was a "Repelican." And it would take too much time to explain why, but some of the senators in the Legislature who were of the "Repelican" persuasion would have their caucuses. They would have meetings, little secret meetings, and nobody but a "Repelican" could get in. Well, I was a "Repelican," so I could get in, and I don't know why in the